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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

PAMELA K.,¹

No. 4:23-cv-05074-RHW

ORDER GRANTING

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VS.

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, ACTING COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY, STIPULATED MOTION FOR REMAND PURSUANT TO SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) AND CLOSING FILE

ECF Nos. 9, 13

Defendant.

Plaintiff,

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 13, requesting remand of the above-captioned matter to the Commissioner for additional administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Attorney D. James Tree represents Plaintiff. Attorneys David Burdett and Jack Darcher represent Defendant.

After consideration, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 13, is GRANTED.
- 2. The above-captioned case be **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the

¹ To protect the privacy of plaintiffs in social security cases, the undersigned identifies them by only their first names and the initial of their last names. *See* LCivR 5.2(c).

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Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

The parties have stipulated to the following instructions. On remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to:

- Re-evaluate the medical opinion and prior administrative medical finding evidence;
- Re-evaluate Plaintiff's maximum residual functional capacity;
- If warranted by the expanded record, obtain supplemental vocational expert evidence to clarify the effect of the assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform work in the national economy;
- Offer Plaintiff the opportunity for a new hearing;
- Take any further action needed to complete the administrative record;
 and
- Issue a new decision.
- See ECF No. 13 at 1-2.
 - 3. Judgment shall be entered for **PLAINTIFF**.
- 4. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 9) is STRICKEN AS MOOT.
- 5. Upon proper presentation, this Court consider Plaintiff's application for fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).

The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, enter Judgment, forward copies to counsel, and CLOSE THE FILE. DATED October 23, 2023. s/Robert H. Whaley ROBERT H. WHALEY Senior United States District Judge

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